RESOLUTION NO._____, SERIES 2007

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE METRO GOVERNMENT TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A CONSERVATION PRESERVATION EASEMENT ON PROPERTY OWNED BY LAURA LEE BROWN AND STEVE WILSON, AND LOCATED AT 7001 U.S. HIGHWAY 42, AND BEING IN LOUISVILLE METRO.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN KELLY DOWNARD

WHEREAS, Laura Lee Brown and Steve Wilson are the owners of property located at 7001 U.S. Highway 42, being in Louisville Metro, known as "Dogwood Hill" and more particularly described in the Conservation Easement attached hereto, which property stands as scenic open space and woodland in an area of Louisville Metro experiencing pressure for development, the entirety of which is listed on the National Register of Scenic and Historic Places, and features frontage along the Little Goose Creek, steep slopes, significant stands of native river cane and other native species, potential habitat for the Indiana Bat and other wildlife, and,

WHEREAS, the property possesses natural, scenic, wetland and open space values of importance to the owner, the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Council Metropolitan Government ("Metro Government"), the people of Louisville Metro, and the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, which if preserved will yield significant public benefits, including the preservation of significant wildlife and plant communities, historic and cultural information, open space and woodland in a developing area of Louisville Metro, and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 382.800 et seq., Metro Government is authorized to accept easements to preserve historical, agricultural, archaeological or cultural aspects of real property in Kentucky, and is qualified to accept such easements under Section 170(h) of the Internal Revenue Code;

WHEREAS, the Metro Council desires to authorize the Mayor on behalf of the Metro Government to accept the attached Deed of Conservation Easement on the Dogwood Hill property on behalf of Metro Government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:

Section I: The Mayor is hereby authorized to accept and execute the attached Preservation and Conservation Easement on property owned by Laura Lee Brown and Steve Wilson, located at 7001 U.S. Highway 42, being in Louisville Metro, and identified in the attached conservation easement document.

Section II: This Resolution shall take effect upon passage and approval.

Kathleen J. Herron Metro Council Clerk	Rick Blackwell President of the Council
Jerry Abramson Mayor	Approved: Date
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